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A ſhort DISSERTATION *upon* PUFFS.

THE word *puff*, according to ſome; is derived from the Dutch POFF, which ſignifies the ſwelling of the cheeks. But others deduce it from the French *bouffe*, the mouth and cheeks, which together we call the *chops:* from whence comes *bouffée*, in Engliſh a *puff*. The old French word *buffe*, from the Italian *buffa*, ſignified a ſlap on the chops; and from that our Engliſh word *buffet* is deriv'd. *Bouffer* and *bouffir* ſignifie to *blow* or *ſwell up*; tho' the latter is ſeldom applied to any thing but the cheeks. But to *puff* in Engliſh has not only the ſignification of thoſe words, but likewiſe denotes the action of fetching breath thick and ſhort.

A *puff* is a ſudden agitation of the air, of ſhort continuance: and is either *natural*, or *artificial*.

Natural puffs are thoſe in which this agitation proceeds, either ſolely from natural, inanimate cauſes, without the leaſt concurrence of any animal agent: ſuch is a ſudden guſt of wind, on land, or water, which latter is diſtinguiſhed by the name of a *ſquall:* or in which this agitation is produced by ſome animal agent expelling air from within; which operation is perform'd by the ſuperior parts, either in *expiration*, or *eructation*; or by the inferior in *crepitation*.

Artificial puffs are thoſe in which the agitation is cauſed by the operation of ſome inſtrument made by art; as of a pair of bellows, bag-pipes, or the like. —— Under *artificial puffs* are comprehended all thoſe which are called *puffs* in a figurative ſenſe, *viz.* the *puffs* of paſtry-cooks, barbers, gameſters, &c. and thoſe publiſhed in the News-papers, of which I am more particularly to treat. Theſe, for diſtinction ſake, I ſhall call *Grubean puffs*; which, I preſume, will appear no improper appellation, if we conſider the ſtile, the truth, the deſign of them, together with the vehicle in which they are conveyed; all which will evidently ſhew, that theſe *puffs* are generally blown from the Grub-ſtreet quarter of the town.

A *Grubean puff* then is an account of ſome remarkable particular relating either to perſons or things, inſerted in a News-paper as an article of domeſtic intelligence, in order to promote the ſale of the things, or the intereſt of the perſons. Under *things* I think may very juſtly be comprehended books, which are the moſt common ſubjects of theſe *Grubean puffs*; by which they are recommended to the public as having ſomewhat very extraordinary in them, which has occaſioned a very great demand; and which is publiſhed in order to make the demand ſtill greater. In my deſcription of a *Grubean puff*, it is ſay'd to be *inſerted as an article of domeſtic intelligence*; to diſtinguiſh it from an *Advertiſement*, which has often the addition of a *puff* by way of N. B. or otherwiſe, and therefore may properly be called a *Puff-advertiſement*.

The propriety of the term *puff*, as applied to theſe recommendatory accounts, will appear from the analogy they bear to all the different ſorts of *puffs* above-mentioned. They reſemble thoſe ſudden guſts of wind by land, or water, in being onely words, which were originally nothing but wind, tho' now committed to paper; and which, tho' they have nothing ſolid and ſubſtantial in them, yet like a *ſquall* of wind, ſometimes overſet and ſink the work of ſome antecedent author on the ſame ſubject. —— As they firſt paſs through the mouth, they are like the natural *expirative puff*; and ſtill more ſo in their progreſs, and end. *To puff*, ſay ſome of our learned Lexicographers, *is to blow or pant by reaſon of ſhortneſs of breath:* and theſe *puffs* are generally a ſign of an aſthmatic, conſumptive conſtitution in books, which are drawing near their end, and ready to expire. —— They reſemble the *eructative puff*, as proceeding originally from the ſtomach, and moſt frequently from an empty one: eſpecially when they recommend the works of ſome of our hungry members, particularly the poets, who naturally expell them by their own *carminatives*. And as thoſe *eructations* are commonly accompanied with a ſowrneſs from the foulneſs of the ſtomach: ſo theſe, tho' diſguiſed under fair and ſweet words, give juſt ſuſpicion of the foulneſs of the deſign, eaſily diſcoverable by an acute noſe, to which they yield a ſmell not unlike that of a ſinking breath perfumed. —— They bear a great ſimilitude to the *crepitative puffs*, in that they are frequently exploded from the *poſteriors* or back-ſide of a News-paper; and in that they give the book-ſeller ſome eaſe under the pains occaſioned by flatulent compoſitions, which are very apt to afflict him with the ſpleen, or a hypochondriacal and windy melancholy. Frequent exploſions give a proper *vent* to the latent cauſes of this malady; which being thus diſperſed more abroad, often raiſe ſuch an ill ſmell in the air, that the chief ingineer, whether author or book-ſeller, is aſhamed to own himſelf principally concerned, and looks as demure as one ſuſpected of having let a f—t in company. —— Theſe *Grubean puffs* reſemble the *puffs* of *bellows* and thoſe of *bag-pipes*: the former, by kindling and blowing up the curioſity of ſome perſons to purchaſe the books; the latter, by the ridiculous oddneſs of the ſound of the periods when read, which are very ungrateful to skillfull ears, and fit only to draw the ignorant together, and to excite the attention of the vulgar. ——— They have ſome likeneſs to the *puffs* of *paſtry-cooks*, becauſe they are deſigned to be ſubſervient to the ſtuffing of the belly. ——— They are like the *puffs* uſed by *barbers*, in that they are inſtrumental in adorning and ſetting off books to the beſt advantage; particularly, in giving thoſe which have been publiſhed ſome time, and which did not ſell, the appearance of new; as old ſecond-hand wigs are new-vamp'd and powdered out for ſale. ——— And laſtly they reſemble the *puffs* employed in *gaming-houſes*, in that the chief end and deſign of them is to decoy and draw in the unwary to part with their money, where they have little or no chance of receiving any benefit or advantage at all.

Theſe *Puffs* may be divided logically into *material* and *formal*, *true* and *falſe*, *affirmative* and *negative*. The *material puff* differs from the *formal*, in that it is not inſerted as a paragraph of news, with the introduction *We hear*, or the like; but often makes part of an *advertiſement*, and ſometimes of a *title page*. In the two other diviſions the branches are very unequal; the *falſe* being much more numerous than the *true*, and the *affirmative* than the *negative*. For tho' the generality of *puffs* are not literally *falſe*, they are expreſſed ſo equivocally, that they may be taken in a double ſenſe. The *negative puffs* are ſeldom uſed: the moſt remarkable inſtance of theſe was given by a very ingenious book-ſeller; who, in order to ſell *The life of Mr.* DENNIS, put this *negative material puff* in the very title page, *Not written by* Mr. CURLL.

They may be divided mathematically into *direct*, *oblique*, and *circular*. —— The *direct* is that, in which the ſubject matter of the *puff* is related directly as a piece of news, of which every circumſtance makes an eſſential part of the puff; as this in FOG's *Journal*, *Ap.* 12. 'We 'hear, that ſeveral gentlemen from Rome, Paris, and 'other foreign Univerſities, have been ordered to ſend 'thither an account of the Diſputations of the Oratory'. —— In the *oblique puff*, a piece of news is related which ſeems at firſt to have no tendency to a *puff*, and yet concludes with ſome circumſtance, for the ſake of which alone the whole was inſerted. As when it is ſayed, 'That 'at ſuch a time, in ſuch a place, ſuch a perſon fell from 'his horſe, and broke his leg; which being ſet by ſuch 'a ſurgeon, he is in a fair way of recovery'. ——— The *circular puff* is that which mentions nothing directly to recommend either things or perſons, and yet is publiſhed with no other view. Such is that *material puff* which has appeared ſo often in the form of an *advertiſement*, 'Juſt publiſhed, and given gratis, *Marriage* 'ceremonies with a long &c. given *gratis* up one pair of 'ſtairs, at the ſign of Dr. CHAMBERLEN's famous ANODYNE NECKLACE, &c.

[*To be continued.*]

MISCELLANEA MAGNA, *or* Induſtrious Collections *for the further carrying on, and holding forth, of the great work of miſ-underſtanding, fitted to common ſenſe as formerly.*

The ſecond Century.

1. *Cuſtos Rotulorum*	*Chancery*-lane charity.
2. *Prothonotarius*	A licenced flatcap.
2. *Philizarius*	File at leiſure.
4. *Chirographer*	A fortune-teller.
5. *Cuſtos Brevium*	Pay your groat.
6. *Vicecomes*	Thirteen-pence-half-penny.
7. *Cinque Ports*	Five-penny-Morrice.
8. *Garble*	A ſecluded member.
9. *Ætate probanda*	Look in's mouth.
10. *Ambidexter*	A new ſerjeant's coat.
11. *Apoſtata capiendo*	A galloping ſaint.
12. *Libertate allocanda*	An act of oblivion.
13. *Medietas linguæ*	A cloven tongue.
14. *Illoyal aſſembly*	A conventicle.
15. *Cornagium*	A cuckold.
16. *Valore Maritagii*	*Jane Puckring.*
17. *Corps politique*	An atheiſt.
18. *Champerty*	A *Hector.*
19. *Regiſtarium*	A table of ſinnes.
20. *Denizen*	Lord *Fynch.*
21. *Parva Baga*	A ſnapp-ſack.
22. *Clerk attaint*	A plundred miniſter.
23. *Clericus Warrant*	Vouch the knave.
24. *Clericus Theſaurii*	Ignorance the firſt.
25. *Clamatores curiæ*	Chymney-ſweepers.
26. *Examinatores*	The Synod's catechiſm.
27. *Clericus coronæ*	Clerk of the night-cap.
28. *Cancellarius*	Prick of conſcience.
29. *Ordinarius*	A three-penny cut.
30. *Clericus Hanaperii*	A pannyer-man.
31. *Clerici Pipæ*	Three for two-pence.
32. *Breve de adjurnamento*	Adjourn the houſe.
33. *Clericus Eſſon*	Maſter of delay.
34. *Clericus pacis*	Hold the peace thou knave.
35. *Clericus extractorum*	Exciſe men.
36. *Rememoratores Scaccarii*	Repent and be hang'd.
37. *Clericus Aſſiſarum*	Deſtinies recorder.
38. *Secundarius*	A deputy cheat.
39. *Clericus Papirium*	A paper kite.
40. *Mareſchal. Mareſchalliæ*	The rules at *Rome.*
41. *Clericus Utlagarii*	*Robin Hood.*
42. *Magiſter Cancellarii*	A good report.
43. *Curia Baronum*	Good morrow landlord.
44. *Frank pledge*	Here good fellow.
45. *Coronarius*	A Heads-man.
46 *Conſtabilarius*	A heaven-driver.
47. *Balivus Manerii*	*Packington*'s pound.
48. *Eſchaetores*	Committee men.
49. *Levant & couchant*	Off and on.
50. *Curia Admiralitatis*	Hogan Mogan.
51. *Deodand*	Gra'mercy horſe.
52. *Bankrupt*	Long-lane.
53. *Beaupleader*	A tale of a tub.
54. *Antient Demeſne*	Trunk hoſe.
55. *Avocatus*	*Doriſlaus.*
56. *Felo de ſe*	Alderman *Hoyle.*
57. *Burglary*	*Holmeby*-houſe.
58. *Darren preſentement*	Voted in.
59. *Oyer and Terminer*	Hang who you liſt.
60. *Mutatis mutandis*	Change of government.
61. *Quo jure*	A woman's reaſon.
62. *Quia emptores terrarum*	Biſhop's lands.
63. *Eveſdropers*	Zealous informers.
64. *Altum mare*	Sea-ſick.
65. *Expenſis militum*	Monethly taxes.
66. *Ideota inquirend.*	*Diogenes*'s lanthorn.
67. *Scavenger*	*Atkins.*
68. *Parco fracto*	*Maribone* park.
69. *Approver le roy*	High-treaſon.
70. *Terra extendenda*	Delinquent's lands.
71. *Summoneas in auxilium*	Call in the *Scots.*
72. *Entry in le per cui & poſt*	Before or behind.
73. *Garden del Egliſe*	Spend the poor's money.
74. *Evidence*	A yard in his breeches.
75. *Franches Royal*	*Carisbrook*-caſtle.
76. *Feodum ſimplex*	A young landlord.
77. *Garden del ſpiritualties*	*Ely*-houſe
78. *Garniſhment*	Warden of the Fleet.
79. *Petty Larceny*	Venial Sinne.
80. *Libella*	*Grubſtreet*-news.
81. *Pillory*	*Poe* or *Pryn.*
82. *Ignoramus*	A grand jury.
83. *Coſinage*	*Hugh Peters.*
84. *Dignitas Eccleſiaſticalis*	Nothing.
85. *Diſclamor*	Self-denyal.
86. *Curteſy de Angleterre*	Get what you can.
87. *Piſcarium*	*Hans* by'r leave.
88. *Purlieu*	The ſuburbs ſemalls.
89. *Aliemony*	A licenſed whore.
90. *Domo reparanda*	Build *Pauls.*
91. *Treaſure trove*	Laſt plate fleet.
92. *Curſitarii*	Two dozen of muſhromes.
93. *Baubella*	New bar-gownes.
94. *Arreragia*	Commons pay yourlandlord.

95.	*Nude contract*	A naked wench.
66.	*Non habilitas*	Come ſhort.
97.	*Incumbent*	The night-maire.
98.	*Breve rebelionis*	Prince of *Condy*.
99.	*Quietum eſſe de talione*	*Maſenello*.
100.	*Centurious*	The Vice-Roy.

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From MARTIAL.

1.

Whilſt ZOILUS with canker'd ſpite,
My reputation ſlays;
The way that I his ſpleen requite,
Is loading him with praiſe.

2.

How oddly happy is my caſe,
'Tis eaſy to conceive;
Since whatſoever either ſays,
No mortal can believe.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.*
DP. *Daily Poſt.*
D J. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
LP. *London Daily Poſt.*
S J. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
L E. *London Evening Poſt.*

Hyp-Oratorial advertiſements and puffs in April. —— Hyp-advertiſements 4. Oratorial ditto 13. In all 17. — Hyp-puffs 3. Oratorial ditto 9. In all 12. —— Increaſed in the advertiſements 5. Decreaſed in the puffs 3.

Chriſtened laſt week males 152: females 136: in all 288. — *Buried* males 203; females 204: in all 407. — Decreaſed in the burials 33. *SJ. WE. LE. Ap.* 5.

THURSDAY, *June* 5. We hear his majeſty is expected to return from Hanover ſooner than at firſt deſign'd. *LP.* —— And that his majeſty intends to augment his troops there to the number of 30,000 effective men. *P.*

Yeſterday her royal highneſs the princeſs Amelia was better, and the fever much abated. *P.* —— She is in a very good ſtate of health. *DA.*

Luke Clutterbuck, Eſq; has been choſen Cryer of Ludlow, againſt 12 competitors who ſtrenuouſly oppos'd him. *C. LP.* — Common cryer. *DP.*

The rev. Mr. Mac Clauchlane, reputed author of an infamous pamphlet recommending fornication, was miniſter of the pariſh of Ardnamuchan in the presbytery of Mull in North-Britain; but upon his firſt preſentation, finding means to get his ſtipend for 3 years advanc'd to him, as ſoon as he had received the money, ran away and left his pariſh to take care of themſelves. *DA.* —— *This* fornicating miniſter *was, no doubt, a* free-thinker.

Yeſterday a woman was delivered of 3 children in Shoe-lane, Fleet-ſtreet; ſhe died half an hour after, but the children are like to live, and were chriſtened by the names of Abraham, Iſaac, and Sarah. *P.*

Married laſt ſunday, —— Lockwood, Eſq; to Miſs Andrews, daughter of Phil. Andrews, of Tetbury in Glouceſterſhire, Eſq; a young lady with a fortune of 9000 l. *P.*

Died laſt week at bath, Sir John Thurmond, Knt. an old experienced ſea-officer. *C.* — The rev. Mr. Moſe, rector of Pulborough near Petworth in Suſſex, a living of 400 l. per ann. which was in his own gift; beſides an eſtate of near 400 l. per ann. *LP.*

Yeſterday the body of Gregory was hung in chains near Edgware Bury. *P. DP.* —— He had refuſed and ridicul'd the ſacrament. *DP.* —— At the Crown tavern by S. Giles's pound, he ſwore, that he valued no more being hanged, than he did the drinking of a glaſs of wine: after the miniſter had left him, at the gallows, he turn'd about to the ſpectators, and laughed; and was ſo hardened, that his countenance was not perceiv'd in the leaſt to alter. *DJ.* —— He laugh'd heartily juſt before he was turn'd off. *DA.*

On ſaturday a woman well dreſſed, came to the Goat ale-houſe in Monmouth ſtreet, and called for a pint of beer; and whilſt the man was gone to draw it, ſhe cut her throat with a knife that lay upon the table. *P.* —— On tueſday Mr. Rob. French, who formerly kept the Ram-inn in Smithfield, and ſince the Bull-inn at S. Alban's, and was captain in the Blue regiment of Militia, ſhot himſelf at S. Alban's. *DP. LP.* —— *He has ſince* advertiſed *himſelf to be* alive.

FRIDAY, *June* 6. Yeſterday the right hon. Arthur Onſlow, Eſq; and Mr. Arundel, ſurveyor general, meaſured the ground in Cotton-garden, for building a new parliament-houſe, which will be ſet about with all expedition. *C. DJ.* —— Tho. Ripley, Eſq; Mr. Flitcroft, &c. *LP.*

The ſame day his grace the duke of Bedford was pleaſed to give a bank note of 70 l. to be diſtributed amongſt the poor in the ſeveral jails, and other objects of charity. *P.*

Mr. Jeſſe ſucceeds Cha. Peele, lately condemned, as firſt clerk to the poſt-maſter-general, and under-ſecretary, to the Poſt-office, a place worth 200 l. per ann. *P.* — John Ruſden [Peruque-maker] Eſq: is appointed to ſucceed Cha. Harper, Eſq; as lieutenant colonel of the Red regiment of Weſtminſter, Eſq; *DJ.*

On wedneſday came on before the right hon. the lord Chancellor, the hearing in the cauſe between Mrs. Philips and Mr. Muilman, when his lordſhip granted one commiſſion of appeal to both parties: ſo now this great cauſe is to be determined by the court of delegates. *LP.*

We hear that there is to be a fine baſon in Lincoln's-inn fields like that in S. James's-ſquare, &c. *DP.*

Laſt week at Bath as the Exeter ſtage-coachman was driving out of the Three-tun yard, he happened not to ſtoop time enough before he came to the gateway, and the horſes going very faſt, he ſtruck againſt the arch of the gate with that violence, that it daſh'd his brains out, and beat his breaſt quite flat to his back, ſo that he never ſpoke nor ſtirr'd more. *C. DJ.* —— *It would have been very ſtrange if he had.*

On wedneſday in the evening Turpin, one of Gregory's gang was ſeen with 2 of his new companions, within a piſtol's ſhot of Fulham, and had the impudence to ſpeak to a young woman who knew him. Mr. Bareau, an old French Gentleman was robb'd of 4 s. his ſilver watch and ſword: the young woman alarmed the neighbourhood, but they got off. *P.*

Married on ſunday Jam. Tomkinſon, Eſq; merchant, to Miſs Stretton, of Batterſea, with 14,000 l. fortune. *P.* — Geo. Lane of Bedford, Eſq; to Miſs Wood, of old Brentford, a lady of great merit, beauty, and fortune. *C. DJ.* —— Yeſterday at Paddington, Hen. Stapleton, Eſq; to Miſs Mary Tinley of Cambridgeſhire, a beautiful young lady with 12,000 l. fortune. *P.*

Died in Surry on ſunday, one Babua Sultania, a Turk who had liv'd many years there, in his 104th year. *DA.*

SATURDAY, *June* 7. A yacht is ordered to be built, for the royal family to take diverſion in on the ſerpentine river in Hide-park. *C. DJ.*

Yeſterday being the firſt day of the term, ſeveral perſons appeared, &c. *C. DJ.*

Mr. T—— K——n, formerly a linnen draper in the Strand, who left off trade about 2 years ago, and married to Miſs R—l M— ſix weeks ago, a beautiful young lady with 8000 l. fortune, laſt ſunday ſe'nnight had ſome words with his wife, and on monday following went to the Bank, took 2000 l. of her fortune; and on tueſday laſt went away with another woman for Holland; but before they could reach Graveſend, changed his mind, came to London again, ſent the woman away, and took private lodgings for himſelf at a relation's in Tooly-ſtreet, where he cut his throat on thurſday laſt, and died ſoon after. He was of a very good family in the north. *P.*

On monday, a waterman having in his boat ſeveral things of value at Hungerford-ſtairs, a man well dreſs'd, asked, if his name was John Wingfield? To which he anſwering in the affirmative, he told him, that a gentleman wanted him at the Spread eagle in the Strand. Thither the maſter went, leaving the boy to take care of the things: ſoon after came a man to the boy, and told him, that he muſt go to his maſter, and that he would ſtay in the boat till he came back, which the boy believing, went; and in the mean time the fellow rowed the boat to Chelſea, and pillaged it. *C.* —— *An old trick.*

Yeſterday a woman (commonly called Friſky Nan) was committed to the Gatehouſe; for picking a gentleman's pocket, of 27 guineas, 17 s. and a ſilver watch. *C. DJ.*

On wedneſday the rev. Mr. Calton, vicar of Doſield near Derby, riding in a chaiſe, the horſe ran back into the river Derwent, where he was unfortunately drown'd. *DP.* —— 'Tis ſaid, that he died of the fright, the water not being above his knees. *C.* 11.

Yeſterday a looſe horſe on Saffron-hill running along, kick'd Mrs. Ear, ſo that her guts came out, and ran over a boy of 4 years old in Field-lane, broke one of his legs, and his life is deſpair'd of. *P.*

Married lately, Miſs Howe, maid of honour to the princeſs of Orange, to a wealthy merchant at Amſterdam. *DP.* —— On thurſday at Chelſea, Pet. Hedgware, Eſq; to Miſs Carolina Churchil of Briſtol, a beautiful and accompliſh'd lady with 15,000 l. *P.*

Died, on wedneſday at Roehampton, Will. Eberſon, Eſq; *C. DJ.* —— Yeſterday in Leadenhall-ſtreet, Sam. Hull, Eſq; of Cornwall, a great dealer in corn, worth 20,000 l. *P.* — Laſt night in Brook-ſtreet, Mrs. Miller, worth 10,000 l. and 900 l. per ann. *C. DJ.*

On thurſday a man was found hanged on a tree in Highgate: he reſign'd his place in the Salt-office a year ago, and took lodgings about a month ago at Highgate, for the recovery of his health. *P.*

MONDAY, *June* 9. Yeſterday the rev. Dr. Knight preached before her majeſty, &c. and the rev. Dr. Day before the duke, &c. *P.*

Laſt ſaturday the great cricket match was played on Mouſey-hurſt, between the gentlemen of Surry on the Prince's ſide, and the gentlemen of London on Mr. Steed's, which was won by the latter. *C. P. DJ. LP.* —— For 500 l. a ſide. *DP.*

Mr. John Till is appointed collector of the Cuſtoms at Chicheſter, in the room of Mr. Allen deceas'd. *C. DJ. DA.*

The late ſurpriſing fall of ſtocks has ſpread an univerſal alarm in the city, as if there was no hopes left of ſecuring the balance of power, and the liberties of Europe, without Great Britain's taking part in the preſent war. The South-ſea trading ſtock, which for ſome months never vary'd above a half or three quarters per cent. fell laſt week near four per cent. and all the others in proportion. 'Tis ſaid that a certain noted banker towards Charing-croſs, has lately ſold out of the ſeveral funds to the ſum of 100,000 l. *DA.*

On friday night between 10 and 11, the right hon. the counteſs of Strafford returning from her majeſty's Drawing room at Kenſington in her coach and ſix, accompanied by Miſs Harcourt, lord Harcourt's ſiſter, and Mrs. Slyford; a man on horſeback rapp'd with his whip handle at one of the coach glaſſes, under Miſs Edwards's garden wall, while another with a piſtol ſtopp'd the poſtillion and coachman, upon which, Mrs. Slyford cry'd out Highwaymen, and at that inſtant catch'd lady Strafford's fine repeating gold watch from her ſide, and put it behind her on the coach ſeat: the robber, with many execrable oaths, demanded the counteſs's purſe and watch: her ladyſhip had one purſe with 40 guineas in it, and another with 7 guineas and 20 s. in ſilver in it; which laſt ſhe delivered to the highwayman, who far from being ſatisfy'd, clapp'd the mouth of his piſtol into Mrs. Slyford's right ear, and there held it ſome time, threatening to ſhoot her through the head, if ſhe did not give him the watch he ſaw her throw behind her; but ſhe denying there was any watch at all, the robbers both rode off. There were four footmen behind the coach, with lighted flambeaux all the time, who ſtood looking like thoſe on Mr. Thynne's monument in Weſtminſter-Abbey. Lady Strafford immediately drove back to the palace, and came to St. James's-ſquare, accompanied by ſeveral other coaches, *though* her majeſty offer'd her a party of the guards to attend her home, and order'd the guard to be doubled that night in Hyde-park. A drummer belonging to the foot-guards has ſince been put under an arreſt, becauſe he ſtood upon the cauſeway during the robbery, and never ſtirred to call the guard. *LP.* —— They took 12 guineas. *DP.* —— 13. *DA.* — 16 or 18 and ſome ſilver. *C. DJ.* —— Her ladyſhip had a guard to attend her home. *DP.* —— One of the highway-men ſecur'd the foot-men, by holding a piſtol to the head of the outmoſt. *DA.* —— *I cannot believe, that* Mrs. Slyford *would perſiſt in ſuch a lie, with a* piſtol at her ear. —— *I ſuppoſe the* foot-men *dared not make uſe of their* flambeaux *againſt the fellow, for fear of giving fire to his* piſtol.

Married on friday at Tottenham High-croſs, —— Ghent, of Hatton-garden, Eſq; to Miſs Hartley, a celebrated beauty, and a fortune of 80,000 l. *DA.* — *Is there not a* cypyer *too much?*

Died on thurſday, Evan Bignell of Havering in Eſſex, Eſq; who has left upwards of 1000 l. per ann. to his lady during life. *C. DJ.* —— Yeſterday in Leadenhall-ſtreet, Mr. Sumners, an eminent Dutch merchant. *DA.*

A young woman on ſaturday was found drowned near Woolwich, her name Mary Corniſh; and at a ſmall diſtance from her, the waterman that was carrying her. *P.* —— Yeſterday a woman was found drowned in the Serpentine river in Hyde-park, with the mark of a cord round her neck. *DA.*

The wife of Mr. M ——, a merchant, that went away with another man, was found murdered yeſterday in the fields near Deptford. The perſon that went with her (well known in this city) is gone off. *P.*

TUESDAY, *June* 10. On ſaturday his royal highneſs the prince taking his diverſion up the river, and meeting a weſt-country barge was pleaſed to go into it, where the rowers preſented his highneſs with ſome of their homely, but cleanly fare of boiled beef, of which his highneſs vouchſafed to eat, and gave them 5 guineas to drink. *P.*

Yeſterday orders were ſent to Portſmouth, to have 12 men of war ready and fit to put to ſea at an hour's warning. *P.* —— To Portſmouth, Chatham, &c. to victual and complete the ſquadron under Adm. Steward, which is to conſiſt of 30 ſhips of the line, and to lie in readineſs at Spithead. *DA.*

Yeſterday their graces the duke and dutcheſs of Richmond, the right hon. the lord Baltimore and lady Harvey ſet out for France, where they will ſtay about

weeks, then proceed to the court of her royal highneſs the princeſs of Orange, and from thence to Hanover to wait on his majeſty. *DA.*

We hear Mr. Joſ. Wight is appointed to ſucceed Mr. Edm. Fitzgerald in the Parliament-office. *DP.*

On friday the rev. Mr. Geo. Watts was unanimouſly elected preacher to the hon. ſociety of Lincolns-inn, in the room of Mr. Crank, who has reſign'd. *DP.*

Yeſterday Col. Handaſide ſet out for Portmahon, to take upon him the command of his regiment. *DJ.*

Yeſterday her grace the dutcheſs dowager of Bedford, wife to the right hon. the earl of Jerſey, was ſafely delivered of a ſon in Groſvenor-ſtreet. *P. DA.*

We hear that the right hon. the lord Chancellor has lately purchaſed an eſtate of 2000 l. per ann. in Glouceſterſhire, call'd Barrington Manor. *DJ.*

Laſt week a woman at Derby was ſafely deliver'd of 3 boys, ſtrong, healthy and like to live. 'Tis remarkable that ſhe was a twin herſelf, as was likewiſe her husband. *DA.*

Married, on ſaturday, Mr. Pepys, banker in Lombard-ſtreet, to the widow Auſten, who keeps Pontacks in Abchurch-lane. *DP.*

Died, a few days ago at Kennington in Kent, Moyle Briton, Eſq; ——— On wedneſday Maximilian Gott, Eſq; at Godmerſham. *DP. DA. LP.* ——— Sunday, Mr. Brown, a very noted chymiſt in Old Fiſh-ſtreet, and F. R. S. *LP.* ——— Yeſterday in Groſvenor-ſtreet, John Barrett of Enfield in Surrey, Eſq; *P.* —— In Bond-ſtreet, Jam. Pearce, of Weymouth in Dorſetſhire, Eſq; *C.*

Yeſterday Mr. Tillardſon, a linnen-draper in Southwark, was found dead in the fields near St. Magdalen's church: he went on ſaturday in the evening to Greenwich, and had with him 2 guineas and a guilt ſword; but nothing found but his corpſe, and 2 bullets in his breaſt. He had a wife and 2 children. *P.*

WEDNESDAY, *June* 11. Yeſterday the right hon. the lord mayor drank to John Leſqueſne, Eſq; an eminent merchant for ſheriff. *C.* —— Lequeſne. *DJ. DA.* — Le Queſne, grocer. *P.*

Upon the accident to lady Strafford on friday night, a guard is order'd to patroll from Kenſington to Hyde-park corner, from the time the lamps are lighted till morning, during the time the court ſtays at Kenſington. *DA.*

Monday night about 11, a fire broke out at a brandy-ſhop adjoining to St. Martin's court in St. Martin's-lane, which in about 4 hours time, reduced 13 houſes to aſhes. *C.* — In Cecil-court, which conſum'd 14 houſes. *DP.* —— The fire communicated itſelf into St. Martin's-court: about 15 houſes were deſtroyed. *DJ.* — 15 or 16. *LP.* —— 16. *DA.* —— It appeared by a multitude of ſtrong circumſtances, that an Iriſh woman, who kept the gin-ſhop, wilfully ſet her own houſe on fire. *LP.*

On monday night an inhuman murder was committed by one Tho. Woolley, a basket-maker at Fulham, on the body of his wife, by ſtabbing her in the belly with a caſe-knife, of which ſhe inſtantly died. *DJ.*

Married yeſterday Sam. Probyn, Eſq; to Miſs Ogden, a beautiful young lady, with 6000 l. fortune. ——— Edw. Wormwood, an eminent tobacconiſt, to the widow of Mr. Milward, a fortune of 20,000 l. ——— The hon. Hen. Temple, Eſq; only ſon and heir to the Lord Palmerſton, to Miſs Lee, daughter of Col. Lee, and niece to the earl of Litchfield, with a fortune of 12,000 l. *P.* ——— He is very ill at his father's houſe in St. James's ſquare; and was this day to have been married, &c. *DA.*

Died, laſt week at Crotwich in Norfolk, Will. Turnor, Eſq; *DA.* —— On monday in Great Poland-ſtreet, the lady Bendiſh. *P.*

On monday morning a young woman about 20, was found hang'd in her chamber at her father's houſe in the Strand: her misfortune was occaſioned by a gentleman of fortune who courted her 10 months with the promiſe of marriage; but was married laſt week to her younger ſiſter, about 17: their fortunes were equal, of 8000 l. each. *P.*

Friday a butcher near Gray's-inn-lane went with a watchman, belonging to St. Andrew's pariſh, to a Geneva ſhop, and drank to that exceſs, that he dropt down dead, and the watchman went home and hang'd himſelf. *LP.*

Tho' the character given Capt. Taylor the half-pay officer, and a member of the Infirmary in James-ſtreet, Weſtminſter, as inſerted in this paper of June 5. holds in every particular true, yet with regard to his fortune and the benefaction mentioned, there was a miſtake. For as the old gentleman liv'd frugally, the better to enable him to do good, ſo he may very properly be ſayed to have died rich; and we now find, that (among ſeveral other charities) he has left to the Infirmary by will, a legacy of 500 l. to be paid by his executors in uſual time, likewiſe an annuity of 20 l. per ann. commencing the day after his death, and payable from the King's Exchequer for 70 years to come, and alſo another annuity of 10 l. per ann. upon the death of a poor woman, of age more than threeſcore years and ten.

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If FEBRIA's judgment you relie on,
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Since our laſt, we have received a *Letter* ſigned B. L. a *Tranſcript* from Father LE COMTE's *Memoirs of China*, ſome *Verſes on* GREGORY, and a *Latin Epigram* by U. W.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *June* 5. The inhabitants of Villa Ronda, in the kingdom of Grenada, have built a bridge of one arch only, over the Guadiana, at a place call'd Tajo; the bridge is 342 feet high, and the arch 144 feet wide. It was finiſh'd in 8 months, under the direction of Don John Camacho, and Don Joſeph Garcia, two celebrated architects of Cordova. There is not perhaps ſuch another piece in the world *DP.*

The Allied army in Italy, on the 30th ult. ſeized Gonzaga and Reggiolo: in the former 600 Imperialiſts, and in the latter 400, were made priſoners of war. *DP.*

Paris, June 11. All the ſea officers at Paris have received orders to repair immediately to Breſt and Toulon. —300 Imperial Huſſars have come over to our army on the Rhine, and the Major-general of the Pruſſian troops. *DJ. DA. LP.*

FRIDAY, *June* 6. A private letter from Italy gives advice, that Count Konigſegg broke up his camp at San Beneditto, upon the approach of the Allies to attack him, and retir'd into the Seraglio. The Allies triumph upon gaining ſo conſiderable a point as that of driving the Imperialiſts over the Po, without the loſs of a man. *DA.*

SATURDAY, *June* 7. The French army on the Upper Rhine has its head quarters at Oppenheim, and extends to Niederulm, 2 leagues from Mentz. The Count de Belle iſle is at Flonheim with 45 battalions and ſome ſquadrons. The Imperial army is ſtill about Bruchſal. The elector of Bavaria has divided his troops into 4 bodies, one of which is gone to encamp on the frontiers of Bohemia. *P. DP.* —— 'Tis remarkable, that when the Pruſſian troops encamp'd at Gernſheim on the Rhine, oppoſite to the French army, which had 76 pieces of cannon planted againſt them, the latter never fired a gun at them. *DA.*

The king of Spain has declin'd accepting the mediation offer'd by Great Britain in relation to his difference with Portugal. *DA.* ——On advice of the ſudden departure of an Engliſh ſquadron for Lisbon, the French court ſent orders to Monſieur de Gue-Trouin to put to ſea with 25 men of war. *LP.*

The cook of the late Mr. Cantillion, was diſcover'd at Surinam, a ſettlement on the continent in America, belonging to the Dutch, and rather than ſurrender, ſhot himſelf. *P.* ——— He was diſcovered by tendering a baſon to pawn which belong'd to his maſter, and which had been advertiſed in all the Dutch and Flanders Gazettes; and perceiving himſelf ſuſpected, and that means were uſing to obtain a proper information of the affair, having no way to eſcape, he firſt took poiſon, but that not having its effect, he ſhot himſelf with a piſtol. *DA.* 9. —— His plunder was ſecured, and is bringing home by way of Holland. *LP.* 9.

MONDAY, *June* 9. ——— *Paris, June* 15. N. S. On the 16 the king of the two Sicilies embark'd at Meſſina, and arriv'd the 18th at Palermo: the next day he made his publick entry on horſe-back, and was crown'd *C.* &c. — The gentleman who was aſſaſſinated and cut to pieces by his ſervant, was called Gatton of Bourdeaux, a perſon of birth and reputation; and the aſſaſſin had ſerv'd him 5 years. *C. P. DJ. LP.*

TUESDAY, *June* 10. *Extract of a letter from* Count Konigſegg *to* Prince Eugene. —— All our contrivings and inventions are loſt; and according to the enemy's diſpoſitions, I ſhall be oblig'd to quit the field. I do really give Mantua over for loſt. Your highneſs tells me, that the preſent miſunderſtandings between the general officers is come to ſo great a height, that a miracle can only ſave Germany: and I aſſure your highneſs, that a miracle can only ſerve my turn. *P.*

The expreſs yeſterday from France brought advice, that the men of war at Toulon have orders to ſail directly for Cadiz, and 18 men of war in Breſt have received the ſame orders. *P.*

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